(*f*) There was only one petition to the Taluk Amildar praying that the two wells inside the village be deepened. As these wells are very deep already and yet there is no water in them, no useful purpose would be served by deepening them. The restoration of the tank close to the village has been taken up on the representation of the villagers and, with its completion, the present complaint of drinking water for men and cattle will entirely disappear.

Rao Sahib M. RAMASWAMY (Mysore City Municipality).—

Q.—26. Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) since how long has rural improvement scheme been in force;

(*b*) the number of villages in the State;

(*c*) how many of these villages have been improved?

THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, LAW DEPARTMENT (Mr. H. V. Narayana Rao).—

A.—26. (*a*) The question has received special attention from the year 1914.

(*b*) 16,433 villages, according to the Census of 1931.

(*c*) All the villages have been benefited by the scheme. 256 villages have been selected for concentrated propaganda.

MR. K. NANJAPPA (Mysore City Municipality).—

Q.—27. Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) how many students of the Kiruganiga community are studying in Colleges;

(*b*) the facilities afforded to them by Government;

(*c*) how many of them are graduates;

(*d*) how many of them are employed in Government service;

(*e*) whether there are any in the Gazetted ranks?

THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, GENERAL DEPARTMENT (Mr. J. Appaji Gowda).—

A.—27. (*a*) Information is not available.

(*b*) The students of the community are eligible for Backward Class Community Scholarships and Free-studentships.

(*c*) The answer is in the negative.

(*d*) 26, including 7 in inferior service.

(*e*) The answer is in the negative.

MR. S. C. MALLIAH (Maddur Taluk).—

Q.—28. Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) when and to what extent Irwin Canal water was made available in the taluks of Mandya, Maddur, Seringapatam and Malavalli;

(*b*) the number of births and deaths of children in each of these taluks every year, prior to the advent of the Irwin Canal;

(*c*) the number of births and deaths of children after the advent of the Irwin Canal (talukwar and yearwar);

(*d*) how many persons had enlargement of spleen as a result of Malaria in each of these taluks after the advent of the Irwin Canal (yearwar and talukwar);

(*e*) the number of persons suffering from enlargement of spleen before the advent of the Irwin Canal in each of these taluks;

(*f*) after the Irwin Canal came in, the amount spent for prevention and cure of Malaria in each of these taluks (yearwar and talukwar);

(*g*) whether any measures have been adopted to check the spread of Malaria in the areas to which the canal is being extended?

THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT (MR. C. E NORONHA).—

A.—28. (*a*) Water was allowed for irrigation for the first time in Maddur Branch, Keragode Branch and Cauvery Branch up to 13¼ miles during April 1932, December 1932 and January 1933, respectively.

The first section of the Irwin Canal was opened during January 1932, the Cauvery Branch beyond 13¼ miles and the Lokasara Branch were opened during June, July and August 1938 and October 1939. [*Vide* Appendix.]

(*b*) Information is not available.

(*c*) *Vide* statement below:—

	1932	*1933*	*1934*	*1935*	*1936*	*1937*	*1938*
BIRTHS							
Maddur Taluk ...	975	1,239	1,254	1,193	1,346	1,563	1,740
Malavalli „ ...	1,383	1,806	1,908	1,489	1,885	2,002	2,358
Mandya „ ...	1,096	1,020	1,363	1,290	1,322	1,271	1,443
DEATHS.							
Maddur Taluk ...	47	42	70	55	93	102	159
Malavalli „ ...	40	71	283	137	139	140	181
Mandya „ ...	75	64	129	95	76	49	112

(*d*) Figures not available.

(*e*) Figures not available.

(*f*) *Vide* statement below:—

Amount spent for Distribution Quinine and Malaria Control Work.

Year	Mandya and Maddur Taluks	Mandya Taluk	Maddur Taluk	Malavalli
	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.		
1932-33 ...	2,807 5 6	...	...	...
1933-34 ...	5,390 2 8	...	...	...
1934-35 ...	...	2,874 13 6	...	...
1935-36 ...	...	4,287 1 8	...	...
1936-37 ...	...	5,314 8 7	...	...
1937-38 ...	...	5,109 10 2	...	...
1938-39 ...	...	5,666 1 2	...	...
Anti-malaria Engineering—				
1935-36	...	4,660 0 0	...	...
1936-37	...	4,160 0 0	...	...
1937-38	...	20,866 0 0	...	...
1938-39	...	20,265 0 0	...	...

(*g*) Anti-malaria engineering measures have been taken in the villages around Mandya, and in three more villages permanent engineering measures have been undertaken as an experimental measure.

Arrangements are being made for a detailed survey of several villages served by the Irwin Canal in the taluk referred to.

A special committee consisting of the Revenue Sub-Division Officer, Mandya, the Executive Engineer, Irwin Canal Division, Mandya, and the District Health Officer, Mysore, and the Superintendent, Bureau of Epidemiology, has been appointed to visit as many villages as possible. The staff of the Health Unit, Mandya, has been instructed to visit the villages and afford relief to the malaria cases and people with enlarged spleen. Arrangements have been made for free distribution of quinine in this area.

MR. S. C. MALLIAH (Maddur Taluk).—

Q.—29. Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) the amount spent by each of the District Boards in their district for the last ten years on inter-village communications (with yearwar and talukwar details);

(*b*) how many roads were taken up for repairs and the amount spent on inter-village roads;

(*c*) the total amount required for laying out inter-village roads ?

THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, LAW DEPARTMENT (Mr. H. V Narayana Rao).—

A.—29. (*a*) and (*b*) *Vide* statement appended. [*Vide* Appendix.]

(*c*) It is not possible to furnish this information in the absence of detailed scheme in respect of each district.

MR. ABDUL RASOOL SAB (Nagamangala Taluk).—

Q.—30. Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) the number of Urdu Boys' Schools and Middle Schools in the State;

(*b*) in how many of these schools is Kannada being taught;

(*c*) if not, whether arrangements will be made for the teaching of Kannada as promised at the last Dasara Session ?

THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, GENERAL DEPARTMENT (Mr. J Appaji Gowda).—

A.—30. (*a*) There are 667 Urdu Primary Boys, Schools and 36. Urdu Middle Schools for boys in the State.

(*b*) Kannada is being taught as an optional subject in all the 36 Urdu Middle Schools, and as an experimental measure in one Upper Primary Boys' School at Amruthur in Kunigal Taluk.

(*c*) The Mohamedan Education Advisory Committee is not in favour of introducing a second language at the primary stage in Urdu schools. It is therefore not considered expedient to introduce Kannada in Urdu Primary Schools, in the light of the opinion expressed by the committee.

MESSRS. S. THIMMEGOWDA, NANJAPPA NADIG (Krishnarajpet Taluk) and SIVANANJEGOWDA (Seringapatam Taluk).—

Q.—33. Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) the number of Middle Schools in the State; how many of these are located in Government buildings and how many in rented